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Proposed Amendments to Claim 1:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) An object management method for performing access control for a stored object, the method comprising the steps of:
 - defining a retrieval condition for retrieving an object, the retrieval condition indicating the object and being defined based on at least one attribute of the object;
 - setting an access right in association with the retrieval condition;
 - setting an identifier for identifying the object, the identifier associated with the object in a one-to-one relationship; and
 - in response to an access request from a user for the object matching the retrieval condition and the identifier, performing access control on the basis of the access right-right by giving the user access to the object that matches the retrieval condition,
 - wherein the step of performing access control further comprises the steps of:
 - performing a check, when a request for access to an object occurs, to see
 - whether the identifier of the object has been set in association with the retrieval condition,
 - controlling access to the access-requested object on the basis of the access
 - right that has been set in association with the retrieval condition if a result of the check
 - indicates that the identifier of the access-requested object has been set in association with the
 - retrieval condition, and
 - the association between the retrieval condition and the identifier is changed
 - when addition, modification, or deletion of the object identified by the identifier occurs.